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1. On 20 October 1953, the barracks installation in Jena-Zwaetzen was occupied to capacity with soldiers who wore red-bordered black epauletts with tank and artillery insignia.                      five tents in the billeting area. About noon, approximately 500 men drew rations from three field kitchens. Some of the soldiers wore new uniforms.                      and sedan                      occupied by a high-ranking officer were seen                      at the gate of the installation. Truck                      occupied by 12 soldiers with tank insignia left the installation. No activities were observed on 21 October and the gates of the installation were closed.                      the unit quartered there had left toward Saalfeld in the night of 20/21 October. 25X1
2. On 20 October, the barracks installation in Jena-Loebstedt was occupied to capacity. Soldiers were being trained on 6 T 34/85 tanks and 8 SU-100 SP guns in the billeting area. Orders were transmitted through loudspeakers. Motor vehicles                      were                      near the installation, which was unoccupied on 21 October. The unit stationed there had also left toward Saalfeld in the preceding night. 25X1
3. On 20 October, the Forst Kaserne quartered 600 men with artillery insignia and about 100 men with signal insignia. No training activities were observed.                      truck                      leave the barracks installation. 25X1

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                     However, the present report makes it appear doubtful whether this assumption was correct and the units left again in the meantime or whether the units observed at the installations concerned were elements of the Eighth Gds Army which had moved there only temporarily.

2.                      Comment. It is believed that the Forst Kaserne quarters among other units the 2504th Gds AAA Regt (US) of the 20th Gds Mecs Div. 25X1

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